



Nebraska Public Libraries Meet Local Demand for Quality Information



Prime Time Family Reading Time® at Lincoln City Libraries

- **271 Public Libraries in Nebraska**

Visits to Nebraska public libraries per week.....170,775

Visits to Nebraska public libraries per year.....8,880,315

compared to

2007 attendance Henry Doorly Zoo.....1,335,170

Total attendance at Omaha Qwest Center.....1,224,100

#1 paid attendance attraction in Nebraska

Henry Doorly Zoo

#1 free attendance attraction in Nebraska

Your Public Libraries

- **13,127,598 Materials Checked Out to Nebraskans:**

Adults..... 7,466,975

Children... 5,660,623

National circulation per capita.....7.3

Nebraska circulation per capita.....7.4

- **Multimedia Materials**

Available to Nebraskans:256,781

- **Total library materials**

available to Nebraskans.....7,487,366

- **Nebraskans received answers to**

20,413 questions per week

1,061,484 questions per year

Answers valued at.....\$7,430,388

**Questioners standing single file
would stretch from Omaha to Sidney**

- **Public library hours open per year.....430,846**

- **Nebraska public library employees.....797 FTE**

- **Uses of Internet computers
in libraries.....2,362,959**

- **Internet computers
available in libraries.....1,674**

- **Percent of Nebraska public libraries
providing public access to the Internet.....95%**

- **Interlibrary Loans worth.....\$1,850,275**

Materials Loaned.....39,506

Materials Received.....34,505



Hastings Public Library Summer Reading Program

Source: Annual Nebraska Public Library Statistical Survey 2006-2007 collected by the Nebraska Library Commission. Data is based on reports from 85% of Nebraska Public Libraries.

* Source: Library Value Calculator, by the American Library Association and the Massachusetts Library Association, 2008.

** Source: Annual Estimates of the Resident Population for the United States, Regions, States, and Puerto Rico: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2008 (NST-EST2008-01)